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For METALLIC PLATE OR RESIN STRUCTURE HAVING PHOTOCATALYST- SUPPORTING FILM LAMINATED THERETO	U.S.P.T.O. Customer No. 26694
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

This paper is filed in response to the Office Action of March 10, 2004.

An INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT was filed concurrently with the June 10, 2004 Amendment with appropriate fee [Please see applicants' paper of July 9, 2004]; consideration and citation of the references in the examination herein is respectfully solicited.

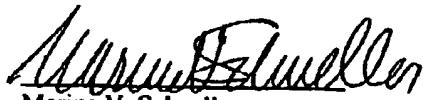
A modified drawing is enclosed.

Amendments of the claims begin at page 2 hereof.

Applicants' Remarks begin at page 6 hereof.

Reconsideration and an early allowance are respectfully solicited.

Respectfully submitted,



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